

REDUCING REOFFENDING FUNDING 2020-2021

APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL:

1. LANCASHIRE WOMEN THE RECOURSE PROJECT

LOCAL BOARD AREA: PAN-LANCASHIRE

AMOUNT REQUESTED: £25,000.00

The one year Recourse Project aims to divert women who have committed low level offences away from the criminal justice system. The early intervention project aims to address the needs of clients to prevent them from committing further serious offences. Lancashire Constabulary will refer vulnerable women into the Recourse project which aims to work with 100 females from across Lancashire. Individuals will be assigned a dedicated caseworker and engaging with the programme will act as an alternative option to a fine or prosecution.

Lancashire Women will help women access housing, employment, education and financial support and the potential to obtain qualifications. Lancashire Women also have strong working relationships with specialist support services for women suffering from substance misuse, domestic abuse, sexual abuse and poor mental health.

RECOMMENDATION: That £25,000.00 is awarded to Lancashire Women.

2. RED ROSE RECOVERY
COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME
LOCAL BOARD AREA: PAN-LANCASHIRE
AMOUNT REQUESTED: £25,000.00

Red Rose Recovery work with ex-offenders and would like funding to support a further 25 individuals who have already engaged with Red Rose Recovery to become peer mentors. Clients will take part in a range of community development courses to enhance their self-confidence, IT, money management and organisational skills with the aim to peer support other ex-offenders whilst also equipping them with employability skills for the future. Giving members the opportunity to become volunteer community leaders offers them a sense

Giving members the opportunity to become volunteer community leaders offers them a sense of achievement, empowerment and belonging whilst surrounded by positive behaviours and can divert clients away from criminal activity.

RECOMMENDATION: That £25,000.00 is awarded to Red Rose Recovery.



3. HEADSSUP CIC WELLMEING

LOCAL BOARD AREA: PAN-LANCASHIRE

AMOUNT REQUESTED: £18,750.00

The Wellmeing project aims to support up to 1,000 individuals in particularly young people on the cusp of offending, offenders who are about to be released from Prison and those who have recently been released from Prison. Each learner will have access to their own bespoke accredited online training journey which will be monitored for 6-9 months with clients being enrolled in a range of courses to address their emotions, encourage community integration and positive life choices in terms of their emotional, physical and social wellbeing.

Headssup have established working relationships with pupil referral units, restorative justice services and prisons who will all refer into the Wellmeing programme.

RECOMMENDATION: That £18,750.00 is awarded to Headssup CIC.

4. THE FOXTON CENTRE TFC BOUNCEBACK

LOCAL BOARD AREA: SOUTH AMOUNT REQUESTED: £20,600.00

The Foxton Centre would like to build upon their current social enterprise that gives ex-offenders and rough sleepers the opportunity to learn a range of skills with the aim to increase their employability. The projects aims to engage 50 individuals and equip them with new skills in construction, gardening, PAT testing and metal work. Users will also have access to 1:1 support and signposting onto specialist support services to tackle underlying issues such as substance misuse or poor mental health. The project aims to provide individuals with a focus to divert them away from crime in a safe environment whilst building positive social networks.

The Foxton Centre is purchasing a terraced house which will be converted into two flats, using the skills clients will learn. The safe accommodation will be for Foxton Centre members.

RECOMMENDATION: That £20,600.00 is awarded to the Foxton Centre.

APPLICATIONS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

A. BRING ABOUT CHANGE

IMPROVING ACCOMMODATION, REDUCING CRIME

LOCAL BOARD AREA: PAN-LANCASHIRE

AMOUNT REQUESTED: £4,865.00

Bring About Change would like funding for a four month research project which would map out housing / temporary accommodation support across Lancashire. Engagement workshops would be held with the Community Rehabilitation Company, housing departments, hostels, homeless shelters and charities as well as interviews with rough sleepers and those in temporary accommodation.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as it the project does not fully support the Commissioner's priorities or the Reducing Reoffending Strategy.



B. ENTERPRISING HABITS

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LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST

AMOUNT REQUESTED: £19,500.00

Enterprising Habits would like funding to support 10 ex-offenders through an integration and lifestyle project. Clients would take part in a range of activities to improve their self-efficiency and social networks.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as it is noted the majority of funding will pay for social activities rather than structured support and there is little evidence to demonstrate the proven outcomes of this project.

C. IMO CHARITY

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST & SOUTH AMOUNT REQUESTED: £22,264.00

IMO would like funding to continue the Personal Development Programme from April 2021. 60 individuals, in particularly those with complex needs such as substance misuse would be supported through structured schemes including both group sessions and dedicated 1:1 support.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as it is noted the funding would support the programme that does not begin until the next financial year and that IMO should consider applying for future funding opportunities to support the continuation of the Personal Development Programme.

D. PRESTON UNITED YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

HE'S COMING HOME

LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST / SOUTH AMOUNT REQUESTED: 40,965.00

Preston United Youth Development Scheme would like to work with 15 young men aged 18-25 over the course of 12 months through 1:1 support that focusses on behaviour change, social and emotional development and adverse childhood experiences.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as it is noted Preston United Youth Development Scheme applied for more than £25,000.00 and therefore do not meet the Reducing Reoffending Fund criteria.

E. THE 180 PROGRAMME

180 PEER MENTORING

LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST

AMOUNT REQUESTED: £16,584.00

The 180 Programme would like funding towards a full time volunteer co-coordinator. The role would be responsible for growing and strengthening their volunteer peer mentor scheme. Individuals who have already graduated from the 180 Project would have the opportunity to become a peer a mentor and share their experiences with new clients.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as the Reducing Reoffending Fund will not fund / contribute to posts.



F. BLACKBURN WITH DARWEN BOROUGH COUNCIL EXTENSION OF THE RAPID REHOUSING PATHWAY LOCAL BOARD AREA: EAST AMOUNT REQUESTED: £16,950.00

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council currently run the Rapid Rehousing Pathway initiative which is funded by the MHCLG (Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government). Case Navigators work closely with rough sleepers offering personalised, tailored support including support with accessing housing, food banks, registering with a GP and support at court whilst also signposting onto other specialised services.

Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council would like funding to enable Case Navigators to work three evenings per week.

This application is **not recommended for approval** as the Rapid Rehousing Pathway project will continue without funding from the Reducing Reoffending Fund.

FUNDING SUMMARY:

ORGANISATION	AMOUNT
Lancashire Women	£25,000.00
Red Rose Recovery	£25,000.00
Headssup CIC	£18,750.00
The Foxton Centre	£20,600.00
TOTAL	89,350.00